

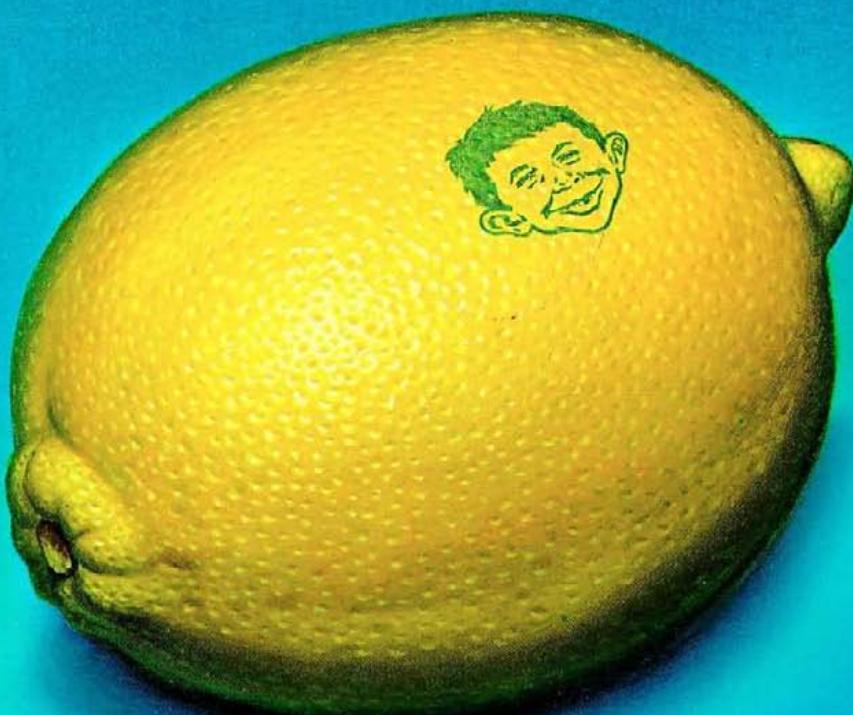
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### LETTERS AND TOMATOES DEPT.



#### "ROBOSLOP"

I have a question. In your satire "Roboslop" (MAD #277), what's the droid's name? On page five he's Rubbishcop, on page six he's Hobocop, on page seven he's Rotocop, Robocrock, Rubecop and Roboflop and on page eight he's Roboschlock and Rubbischcop. So what's up?

Todd Scott  
Hanover, PA

What's up? Obviously not your I.Q.—Ed.

#### CRITIC'S ACCLAIM

MAD's brilliant Jack Davis showed his acumen (has he no shame?) by putting me in front of those movie review clods (oops—I almost said "those other clods"). A couple of those guys have no vocabulary—cut off their thumbs and they can't express an opinion! OK, I'll take the oath and pledge!

Gene Shalit  
*The Today Show*  
New York, NY



"Today Show" film reviewer Gene Shalit takes "The MAD Movie Critic's Pledge" from issue #275.



#### MORON MAIL

While listening to the radio the other day I heard the Beatles song, "I Wanna Hold Your Hand." I was thinking, if they were cannibals, the song would probably sound like "I Wanna Eat Your Hand!"

Mike Bilsky  
Closter, NJ

Phew! It's a good thing you weren't listening to "God Bless America" or "Like a Virgin"! —Ed.

### THE \$80,000 CAPTION

While reading your "Letters and Tomatoes" Dept. in MAD #277, I saw something about the missing caption from "Your Pet Knows" in MAD #275. Is it true it is worth \$80,000? And if it is, would you like to buy one?

Amanda Gilbreath  
Double Springs, AL

I sold my copy of MAD #275 with the missing caption to a local collector and I only got \$1.00 for it because it was used. Where's my other \$79,999?

Paul Bartell  
Lindenhurst, NY

In issue #277 you said that some issues of #275 are worth \$80,000. Is this true or are you pulling my leg? I have an issue like the one stated. Even if it's only worth a lousy \$1.50, it'll be worth selling!

Nicole Gray  
Lorain, OH

We are sorry to inform everyone that the issue in question is no longer worth \$80,000. In fact, we've heard a rumor that popular demand has pushed the price of this rare collector's item to \$125,000 (Cheapt!). Check with your local comic dealer, as prices fluctuate greatly! —Ed.

#### "HOT AIR" MAIL

Your timely, biting satire on the "Moral Majority" in the Hot Air MAD Super Special #63 had me chuckling. I'm just glad someone has finally had the guts to take on these narrow-minded bozos. If only you had thought to do a satire on Jerry Falwell and the rest of that gang 10 years ago, maybe they wouldn't have gotten so far with their dastardly schemes. Oh well, better late than never!

David Nethery  
Glendale, CA

You're right, David. It would have been much more timely if we had run "The Moral Majority Manual" in oh, say, MAD #230 (April '82)! Guess we just missed the boat. —Ed

#### SATURDAY NIGHT JIVE

I thought MAD only published satire, not the cheap potshots usually found in gossip tabloids. You owe Garrett Morris and Laraine Newman—two wonderfully talented if underrated performers—an apology after what you wrote about them in "Junkie Video Collections We're Sure to See" in MAD #277. What makes me doubly angry is the fact that you probably don't care about the insulting comments you made. To you, it was just one more lame joke in a second-rate article no one will look at twice.

Will Day  
Bangor, ME

No one would have looked at the article twice, Will, but now everyone who sees your letter will go back and enjoy our cheap shots once again. Thanks for writing! —Ed.

## GILBERT FINDS HIMSELF

After playing the lawyer in "Beverly Hills Cop II" it was with great joy and even greater shame that I found my picture in MAD #275! Thanks!

Gilbert Gottfried  
New York, NY



Comedian Gilbert Gottfried, from "Beverly Hills Cop II," finds his picture in MAD #275.

## MORE MORON MAIL

If MAD isn't the best magazine around, my name ain't Jack Trempl!

Tim Hammack  
Collinsville, IL

And if yours isn't the most asinine, trivial and boorish letter we've ever printed, our name ain't Ed. I - Ed.



## THE ENVELOPE, PLEASE

And now, my personal "Best of the Year Awards" for 1987:

*Best Movie Satire:* Star Bleach IV (#271)

*Best TV Satire:* Amends (#273)

*Best Article:* In the Beginning... (#274)

*Best Satire of a Movie that Deserved It:* Crock O' Dull Dumme (#273)

*Best Satire of a TV Show that Deserved It:* Perfectly Strange (#270)

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*Best Fold-In:* Dial-A-Porn (#270)

*Best Super Special:* MAD Mania

*Best Paperback:* Wit and Wisdom of MAD

*Best Overall Issue:* #275

There you have it. Thanks and goodnight.

Justin Meadows  
Arvin, CA

Best Letter of the Letters Page: not yours! - Ed.

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AND THEY CALL IT YUPPIE LOVE DEPT.

Why did this very ordinary movie draw such a big audience? Is it a modern morality tale illustrating the evil that can befall one who transgresses his marriage vows? *Nah!* Is it a cautionary tale about fooling around with a modern woman? *Nah!* Is it a warning to Yuppies about the perils of being upwardly mobile? *Nah!* So what is it? Who knows! But one thing is certain—for millions of people this film was a

# Feeble ATTRACTION

ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

WRITER: STAN HART



Hi, I'm Alox and I have a terrific job! I'm a book editor in a big publishing house and I'm right under the president!

How'd you get that great job?

I just told you! Now listen, let's not rush this relationship! But at the outset, there's something I have to know! What's your name?

Duncey! And even though we're rather intimate for people who've only known each other seven minutes, there's something I have to ask, too...

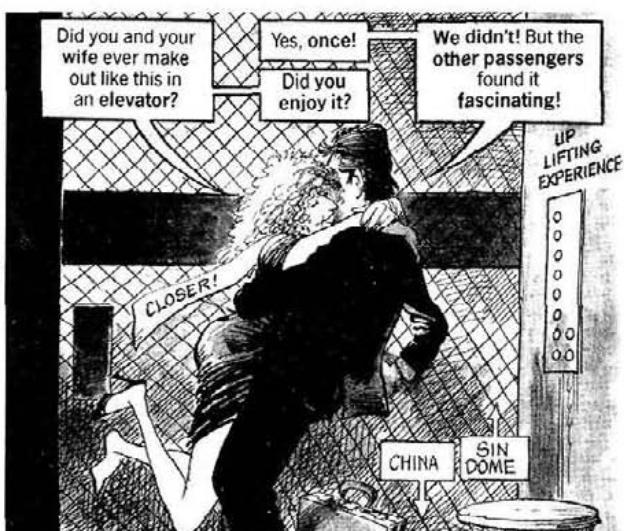
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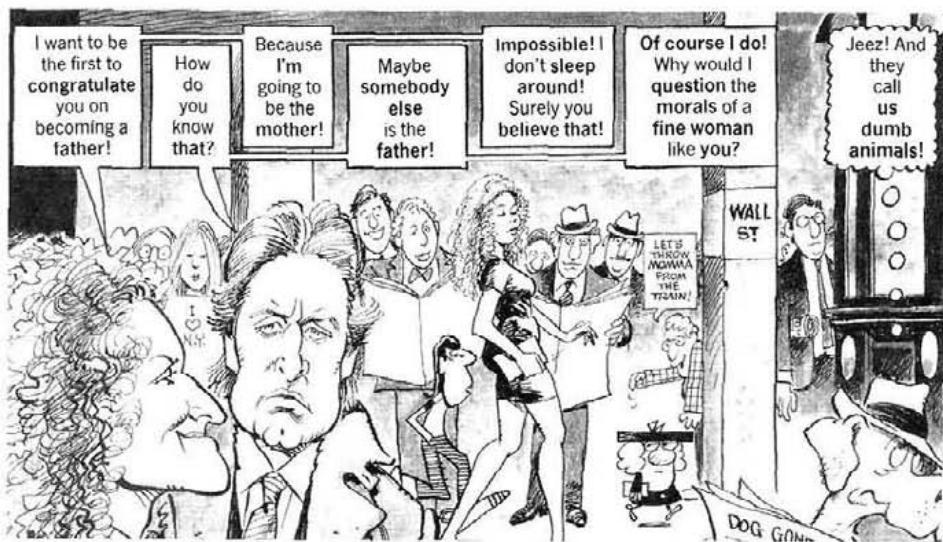
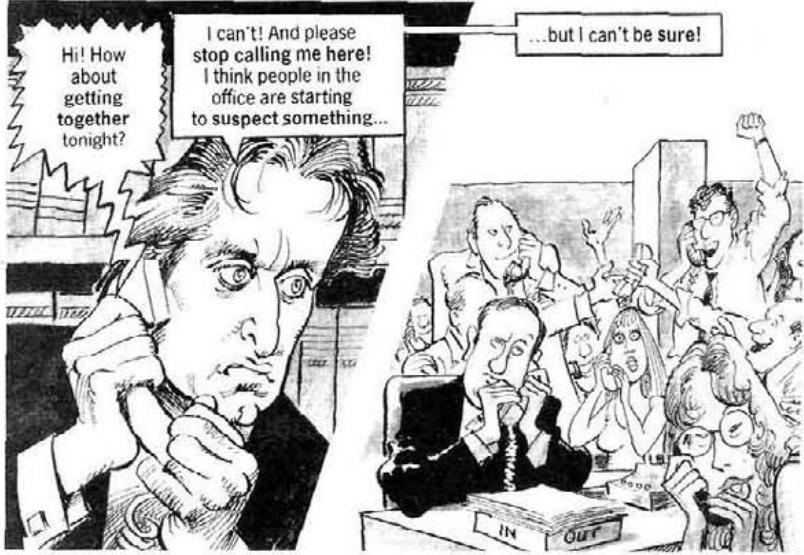
Oh? Which group is that?

Homicidal maniacs!

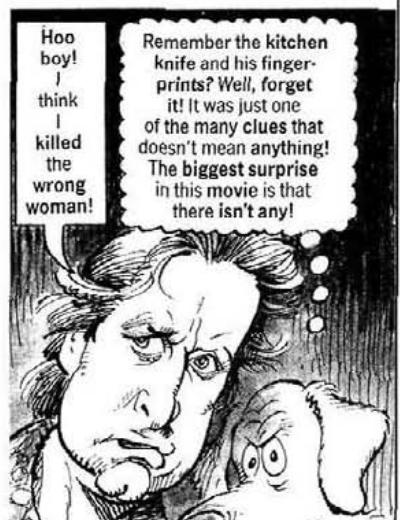
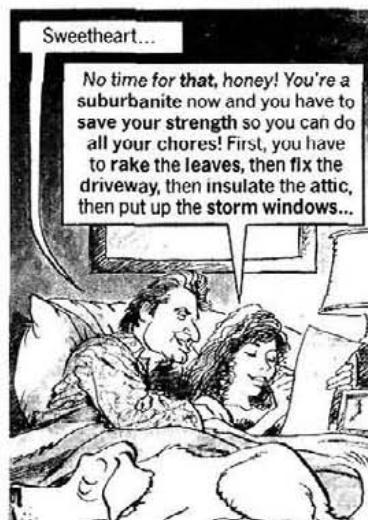
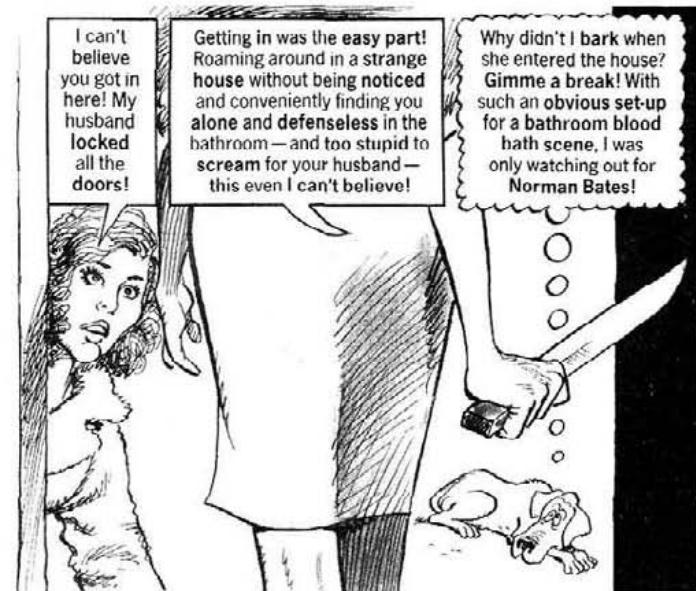
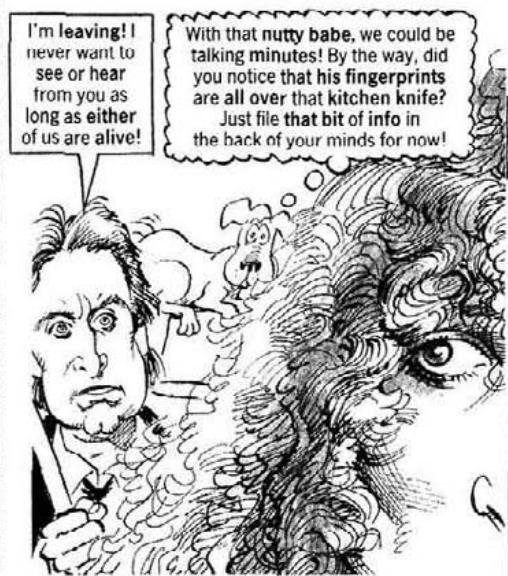
I hate watching my master cheat on his beautiful, trusting wife without feeling any pangs of conscience! He's acting like an animal! Not this animal, mind you—me he had fixed! Had he been fixed, it would've saved us all a lot of trouble!



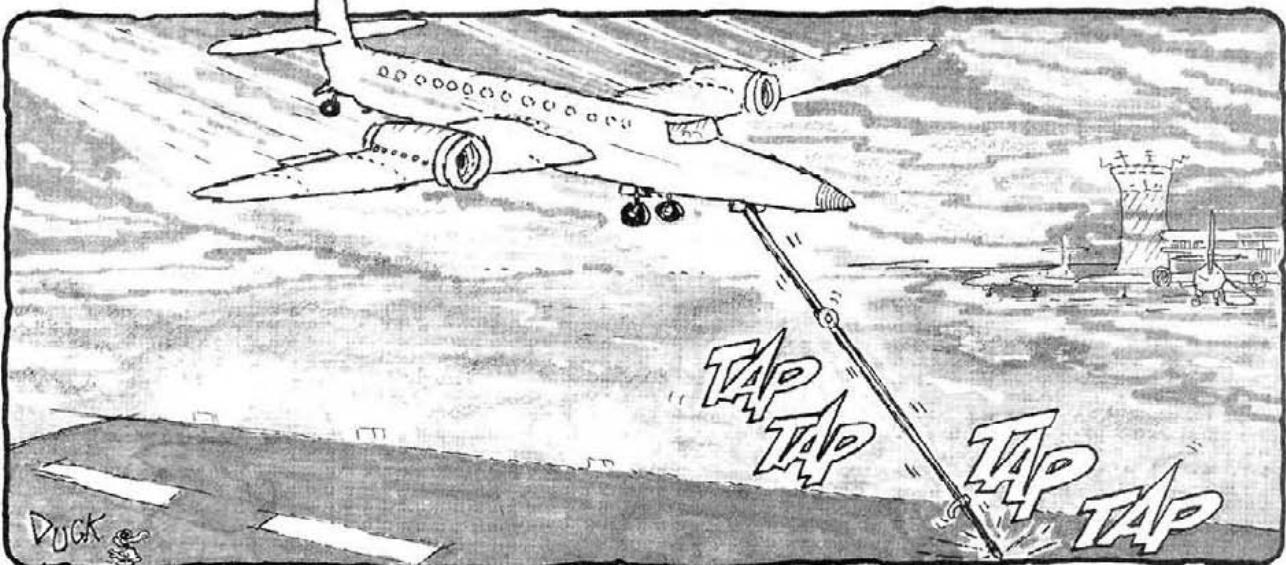
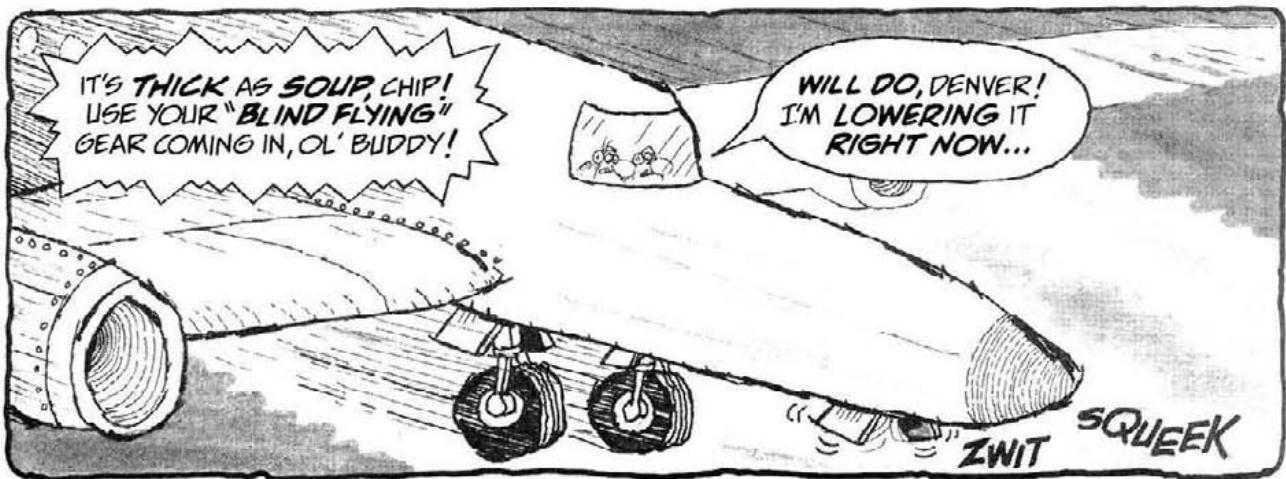
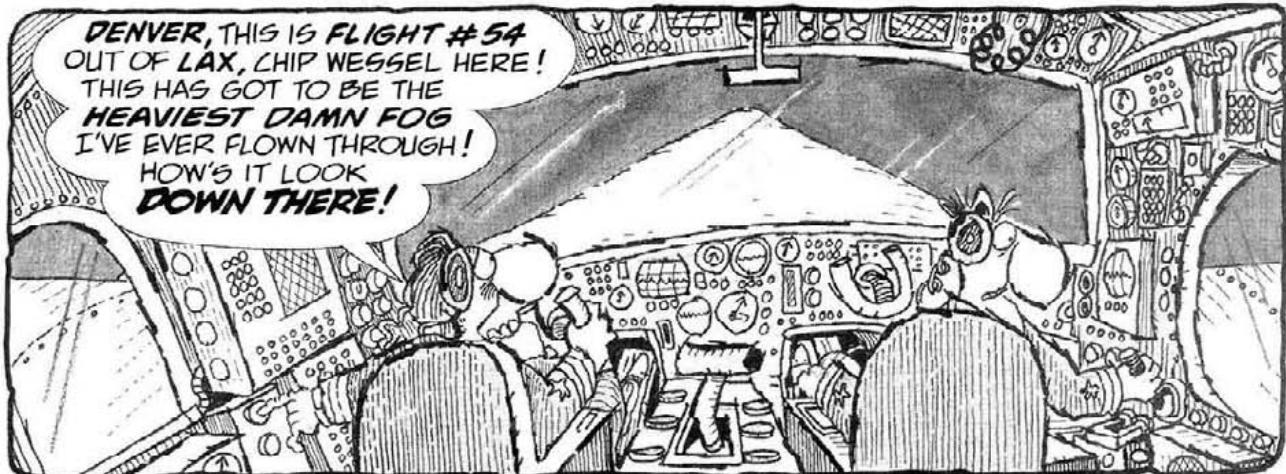




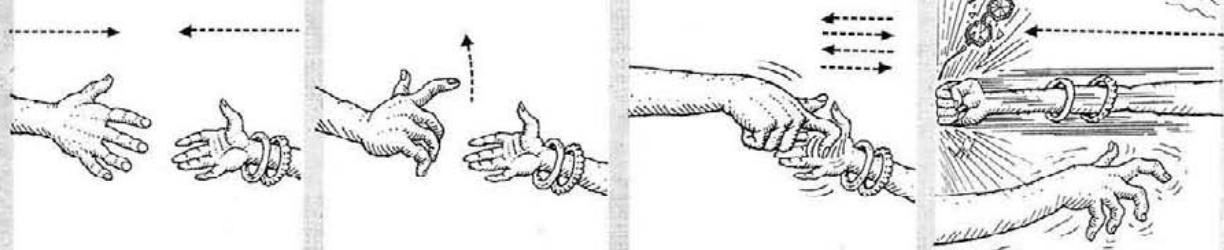




# THE FRANTIC FOG-FILLED FOLLY



### The Let-Her-Know-You're-Hot-For-Her Palm Tickle



#### ALL JAFFEE DEPT.

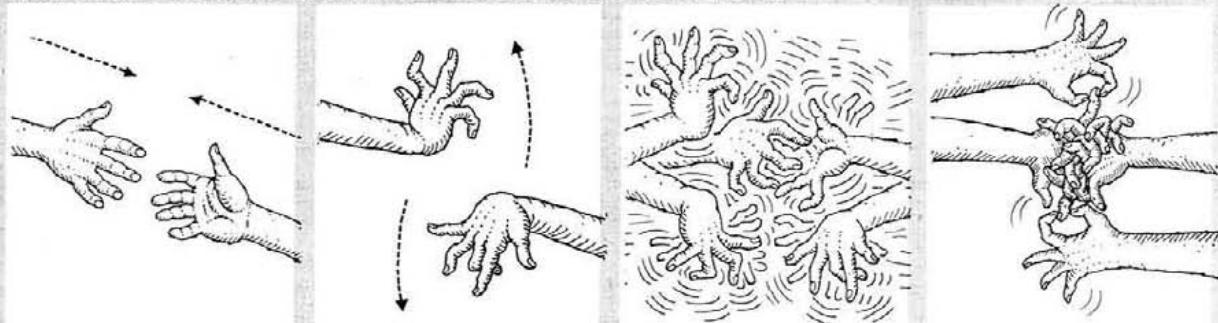
When we're very young, we're taught that shaking hands is the polite thing to do. But as we get

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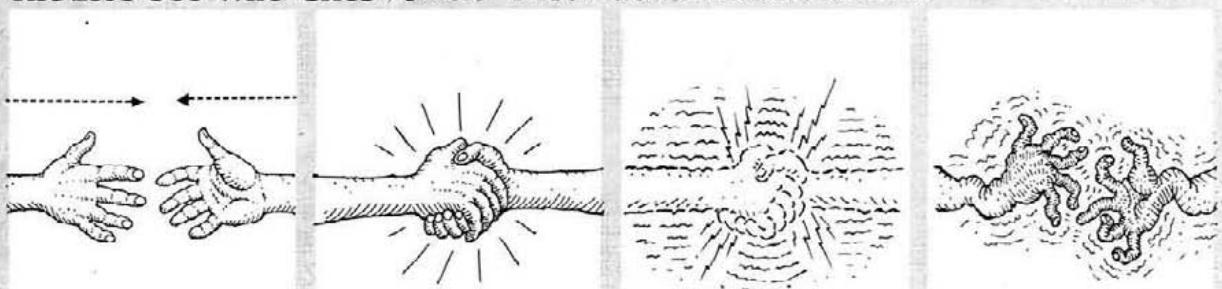


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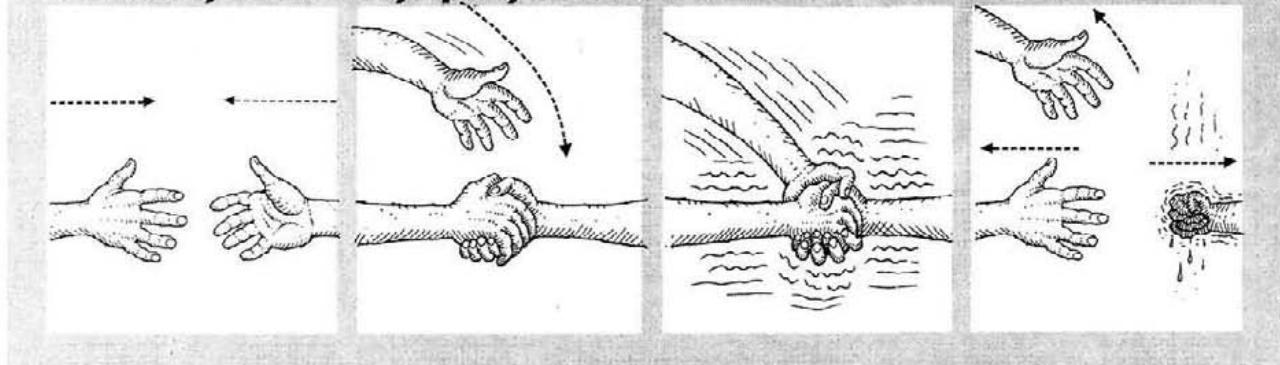
### The Prove-You're-A-Member Secret Brotherhood Grab



### The Let's-See-Who-Cries-“Uncle”-First Macho Knuckle Crunch



### The Phoney-Show-Of-Sympathy Sandwich Crush



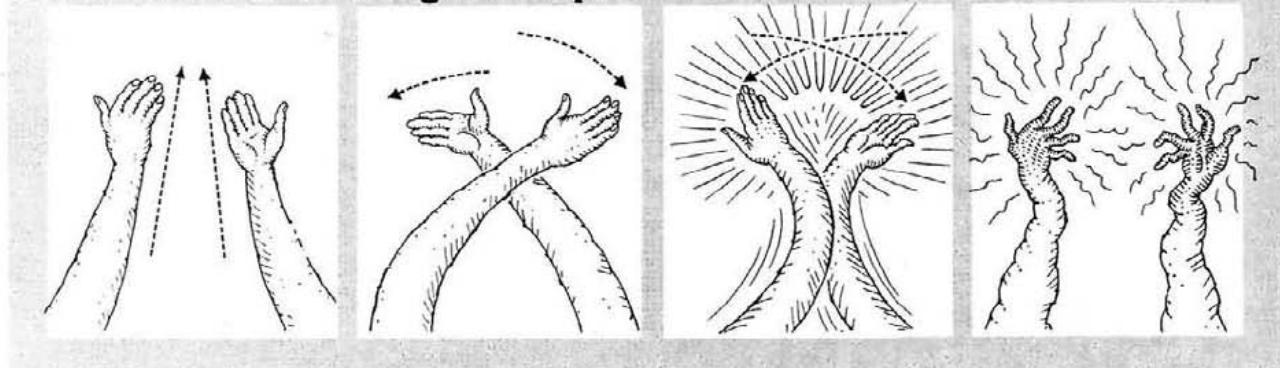
older, we discover that a handshake can have a variety of meanings and uses. As you'll see as...

# HANDSHAKES

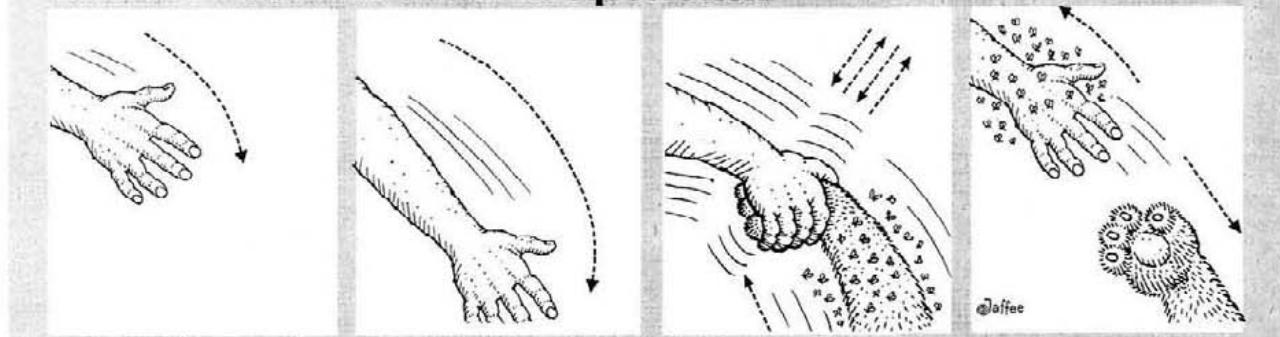
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### The Show-You're-Cool High Five Slap Shake



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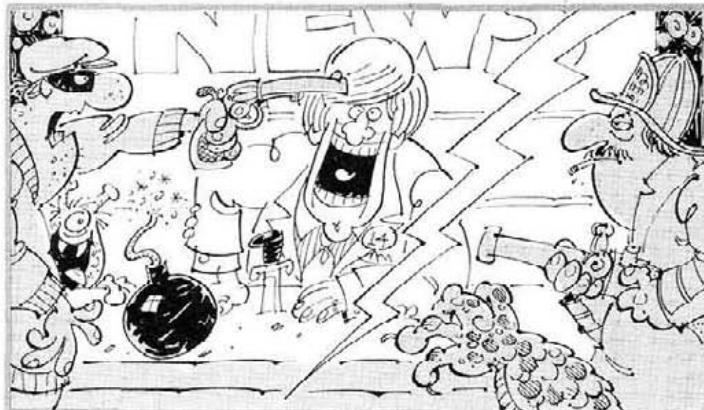


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#### BETTER LEGISLATE THAN NEVER DEPT.

It's well known that congressmen will do almost anything to get re-elected. They'll kiss thousands of babies, eat tons of creamed chicken at banquets and have their pictures taken wearing endless funny hats. In fact, it seems the only time they draw the line is when it comes to doing something meaningful, such as passing a few good laws to make our lives a

# NEW LAWS THAT CON RIGHT



#### **"FILM-AT-ELEVEN" CURTAILMENT MEASURE**

1. Local newscasters are henceforth barred from attempting to snare viewers by popping in at station breaks to promise exciting stories on the 11 O'clock News that are clearly fake, exaggerated or rehashes of 6 O'clock News stories.

2. This law specifically bans newsbreaks that pledge "film at eleven" of nudist conventions, flying saucer landings and/or public temper tantrums thrown by members of the British Royal Family.

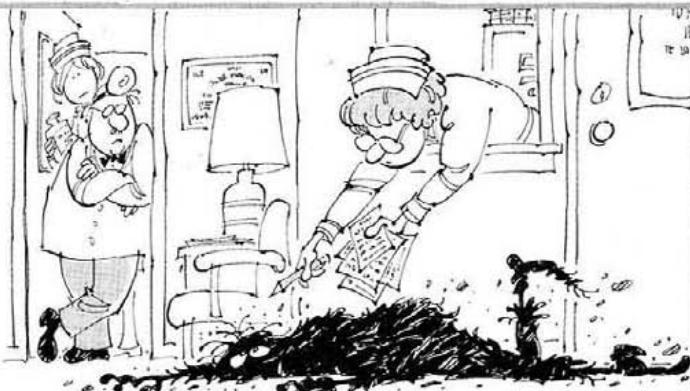
3. Convicted newscpeople shall be sentenced to one solid week of station breaks during which they must beg viewers to stay tuned for a boring round-up of the day's traffic tie-ups, Teamster picketings and inaccurate weather forecasts.

#### **DOCTOR'S OFFICE PAPERWORK STATUTE**

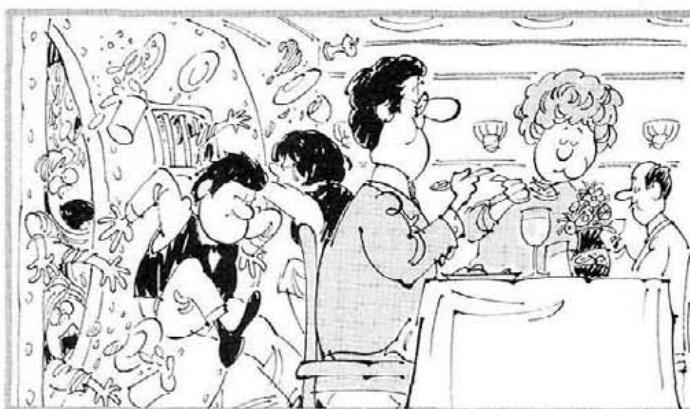
1. It shall henceforth be a misdemeanor for medical office personnel to require any suffering person to fill out a "new patient" form in the doctor's waiting room before receiving emergency treatment.

2. Said misdemeanor shall become a felony in cases where the patient is required to fill out a second form when blood dripping from his injuries causes the original form to become illegible.

3. Said felony shall become a crime against humanity in cases where the form requires the suffering victim to supply such unnecessary data as (a) mother's maiden name, (b) address (including zip code) of patient's health insurance company, or (c) details of treatment by school nurse while in the sixth grade.



ARTIST: PAUL COKER



#### **MERCIFUL RESTAURANT SEATING REGULATION**

1. Without regard to race, creed or color, restaurant patrons shall henceforth be segregated into groups consisting of those under the age of five who scream, drool and throw their vegetables, and those over the age of five who normally do not.

2. Each "Toddlers" Section shall be policed by a burly restaurant employee assigned to prevent the escape of small children into the civilized adult's area.

3. Should the U.S. Supreme Court rule that this form of segregation is unconstitutional, restaurant managers may retaliate by seating all Supreme Court Justices who patronize their establishment at tables next to unruly children who scream, drool and throw their vegetables.

little easier! With the next election shaping up as a tough one, MAD thinks the time has come for our lawmakers to pull out all the stops if they hope to be returned to office. We know it's radical and outrageous to propose that our public servants actually engage in some real public service, but we at MAD feel we can wait no longer to recommend these...

# GRESS SHOULD PASS NOW!



## TRUTH-IN-SALESLADIES ORDINANCE

1. Females employed in department stores, dress shops and boutiques shall be subject to severe punishment for deceptively gushing over the "stunning" appearance of customers who actually resemble farm animals when clad in the store's merchandise.

2. Salesladies are specifically prohibited from emitting little squeals of approval as they observe hefty customers in tent stripes, psychedelic prints and/or billowing bows. Also, these lardos must never, ever be encouraged with the words, "Oooo! It's definitely you!"

3. Salesladies engaging in such obvious deceit for the purpose of making a fast buck shall be given five years in which to discover how "stunning" they look wearing a standard grey prison housedress.

## COMPUTER WORSHIPER'S LIMITATION LAW

1. Freedom of Religion (as defined by the U.S. Constitution) shall not include the right of office workers to regard every computer printout as a holy document, no matter how many obvious or outlandish errors it contains.

2. Under this law, Computer Worship may no longer be used by corporate flunkies to hold a telephone customer responsible for 2,000 wrongly billed calls to the Antarctic, or to insist that a penniless bag lady pay tax on a huge income credited to her Social Security number by a crazed computer.

3. Violators of this law shall be put to work making license plates in a prison where any attempt to blame human mistakes on "computer error" will result in additional imprisonment.



WRITER: TOM KOCH



## UNASSEMBLED PRODUCTS INFORMATION ACT

1. Retail stores are henceforth forbidden to offer products requiring assembly, except in cases where the customer is adequately warned that he is getting himself into a mess that will endanger his sanity.

2. Said warning must include notification that (a) each carton has at least 5% of its necessary pieces missing, (b) the assembly instruction sheet was written and printed in a country where English is virtually unknown, and (c) the "simple tools" required for assembly include a riveting gun and a jackhammer.

3. Violators of this act shall have their stores broken into 14,000 pieces, which they must then reassemble with the aid of only a pocket screwdriver and a Chinese road map.

## RELATIONSHIPS



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# THE LIGHT

## MODERN TECHNOLOGY



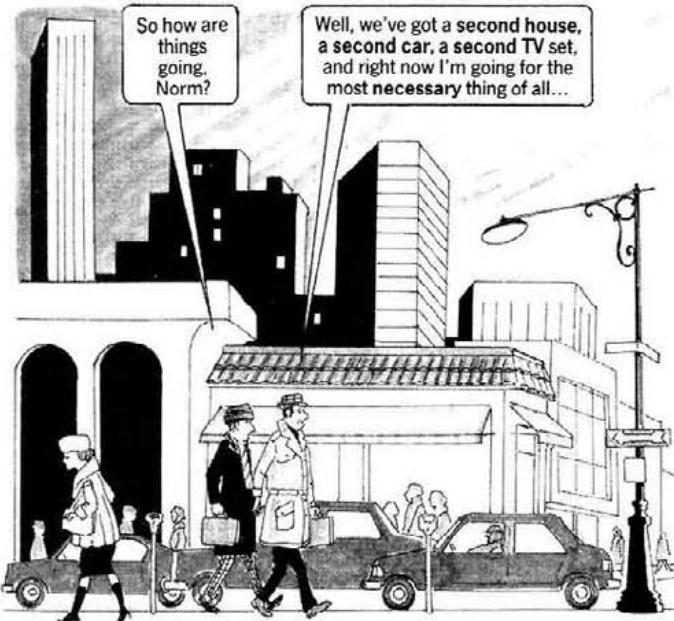
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# R SIDE OF...

ARTIST & WRITER:  
DAVE BERG

## STATUS



Well, we've got a second house, a second car, a second TV set, and right now I'm going for the most necessary thing of all...



# SELF-EFFACEMENT



## NEIGHBORS



## QUOTATIONS



# SCHOOL

John Bailey, your test paper was the only one handed in that was absolutely perfect!

Really? And I thought I flunked that test!

You did, but it was perfect! Every answer was wrong!



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## SHOPPING

Just about everybody!



What a lovely pair of shoes!

I know! But they took all the fun out of shopping!

It was the first and only pair I tried on!



## CARS

Think of it, Bill—nowadays we fill our own tanks, put air in our tires, wash our own windshields...



So how come they still call them service stations?

Self Service



# EFFORT



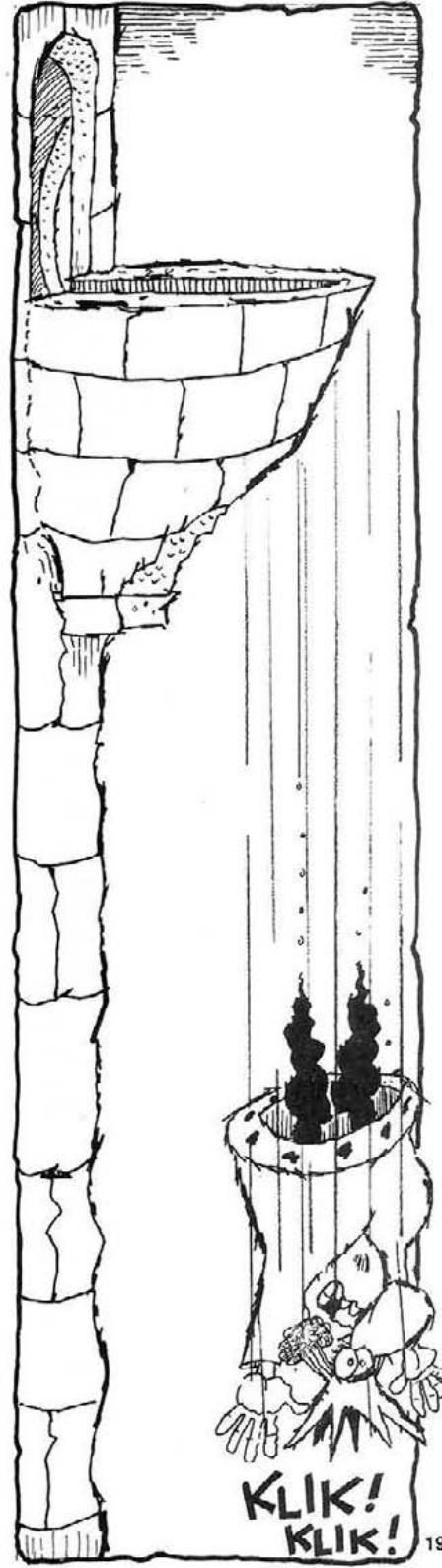
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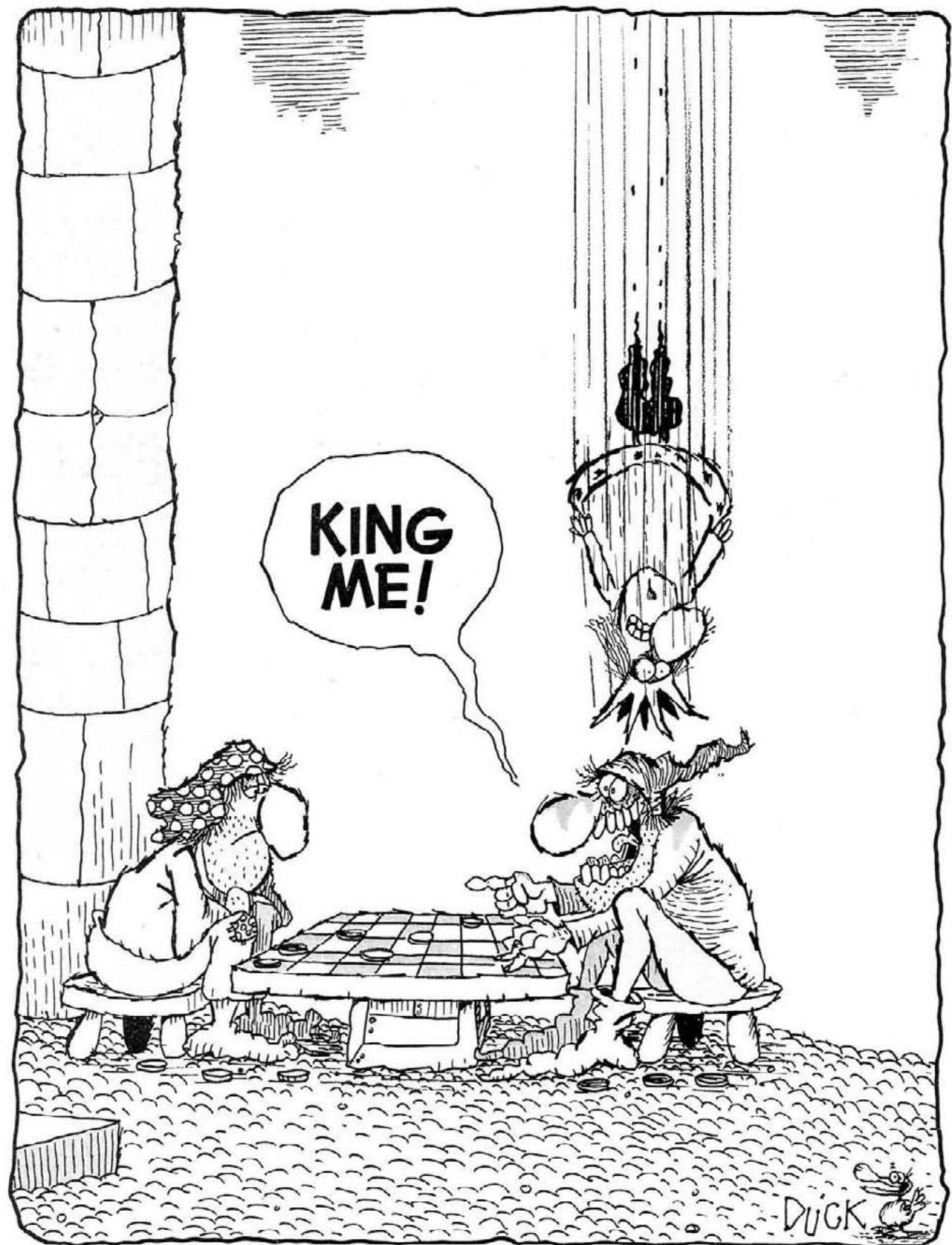


# DOCTORS



# THE BEFUDDLING BALCONY BLUNDER





THE ENVELOPE, SLEAZE! DEPT.

You probably know loads of people who receive fat envelopes in the mail that are filled with chances to win fantastic prizes and mucho bucks if they will only send in the entry form (and hopefully order some dumb magazines as well). But, how many people do you know who have actually been a winner in one of these cockamamie contests? Well, we don't know any either! And we thought it was about time we got even with the creeps who keep sending out this stupid trash. So without further ado,

# MAD OPENS A TYPICAL MAGAZINE SWEEPSTAKES PACKAGE

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

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## WHO CAN ENTER

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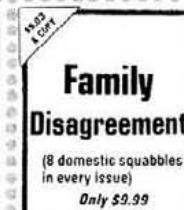
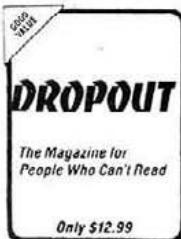
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...when politicians who are "tough on crime" insist on the death penalty for graft, corruption, and bribe-taking.



...when we can remember who last year's Miss America was if she doesn't take off all her clothes.

THE ODDS MUST BE CRAZY DEPT.

# THAT'

We're pleased to announce that **MA** this year's Pulitzer Prize for Literat gullible readers have passed out fr like to present a few other events

# THE

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS



...when participants in sleazy scandals are too ashamed to sell their stor- ies to producers and book publishers.



...when drug addicts go cold turkey and give up cocaine because Nancy Reagan tells them to "Just Say No."



...when Americans care more about the Sandinistas vs. the Contras than they do about the Colbys vs. the Carringtons.

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that will make you shout...

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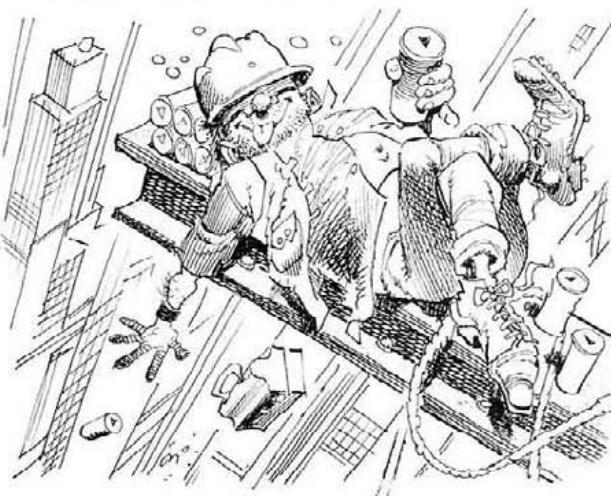
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...when some poor, oppressed, down-trodden country actually *improves* after covert C.I.A. interference.

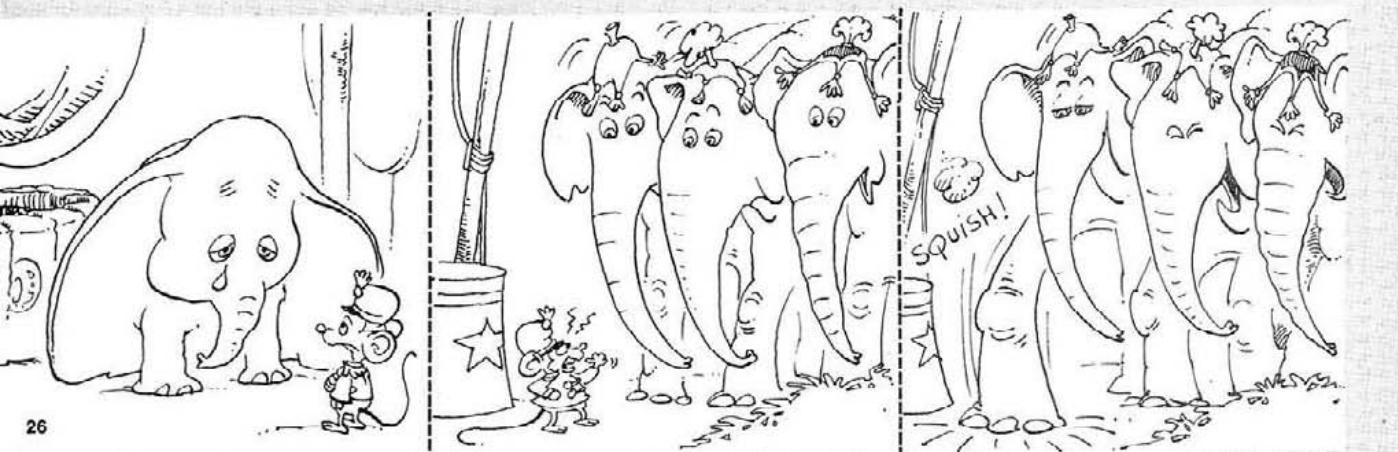
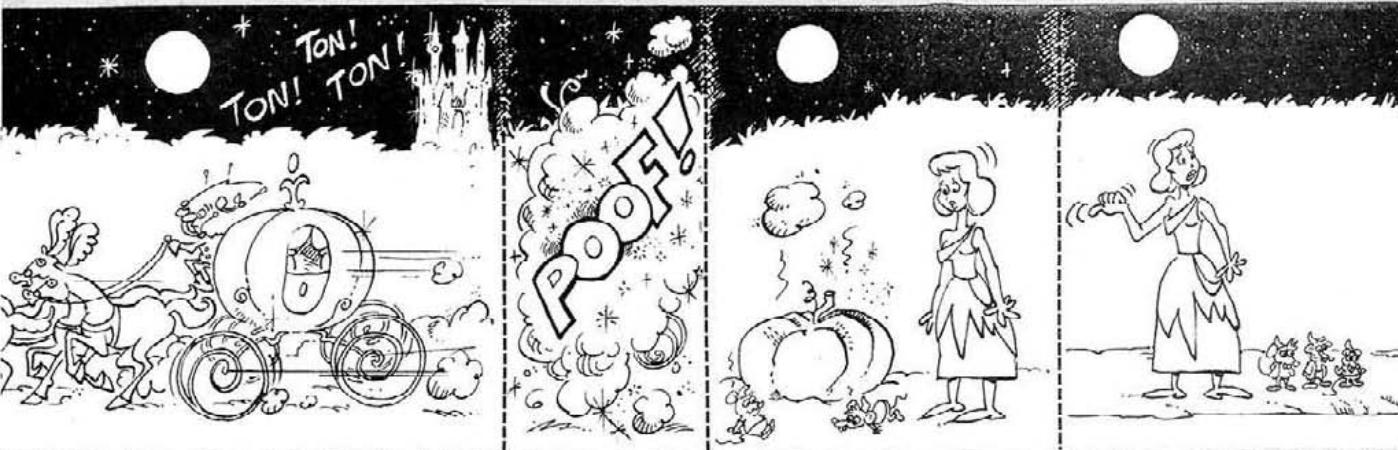


...when other motorists start driving more carefully the moment they see a stupid yellow "Baby on Board" sign.



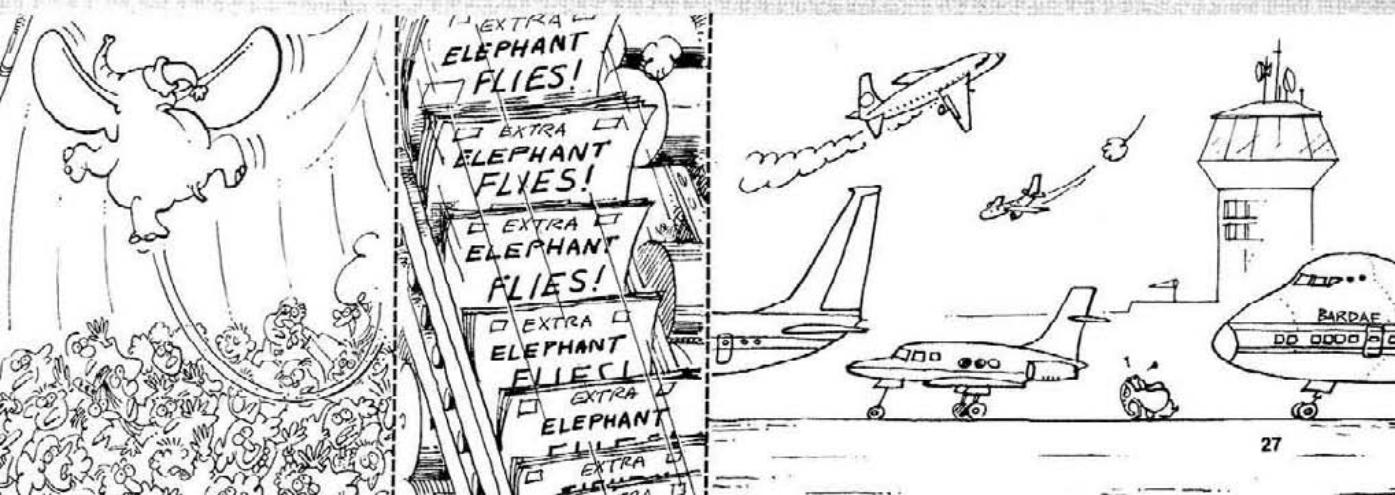
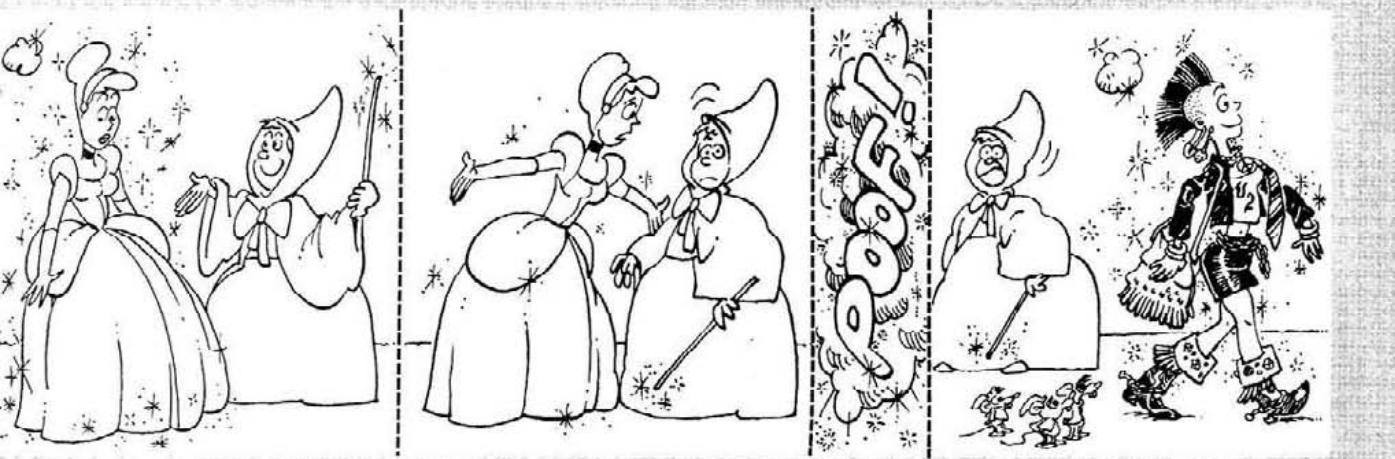
...when Madison Avenue shows us what construction workers *really* look like after they've chugged down a few beers.

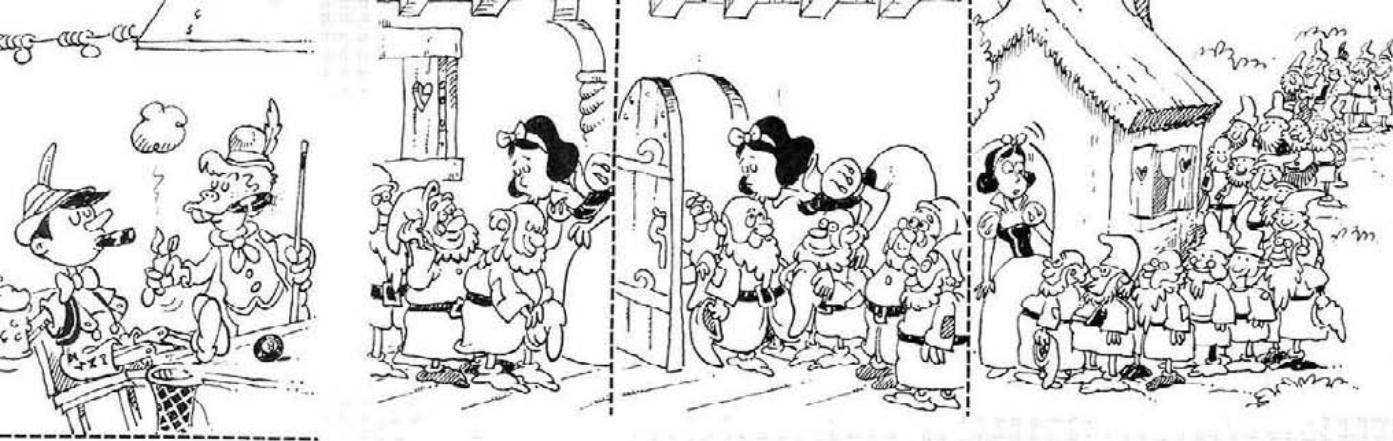
# A MAD LOOK AT DISNEY



# CLASSICS

ARTIST & WRITER: SERGIO ARAGONES





#### HIRE EDUCATION DEPT.

Like it or not, you can't go to school forever. So, in the not too distant future, when you're 25 or so, you're going to wake up one morning and be faced with a momentous decision: either finish high school and go on to college, or go out and get a job. If you decide to go to college, you've got nothing to worry about for another ten years at least. But if you plan to get a job, pay close attention to:

#### MAD'S GUIDE TO

# MAKING IT IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

WRITER: LARRY SIEGEL

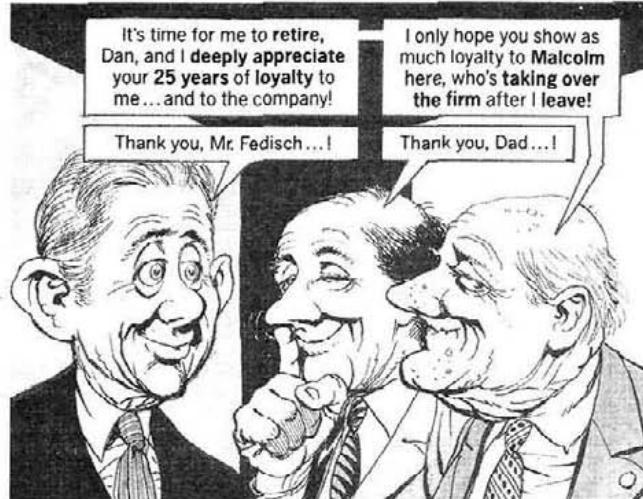
#### CHOOSING THE KIND OF COMPANY TO JOIN

**In the business world, you usually have a choice of two kinds of firms to join, Small or Large.**

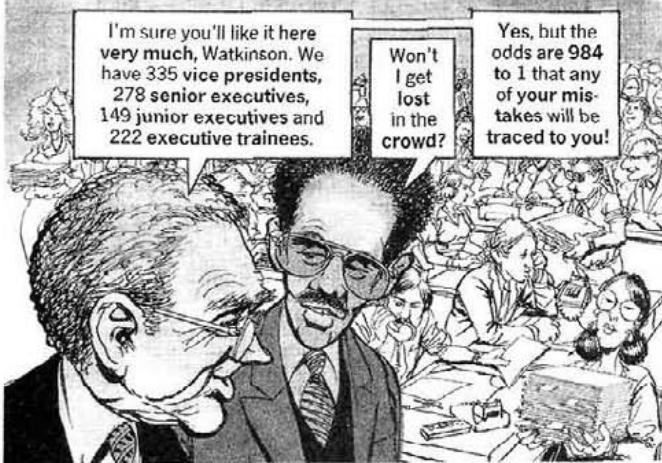
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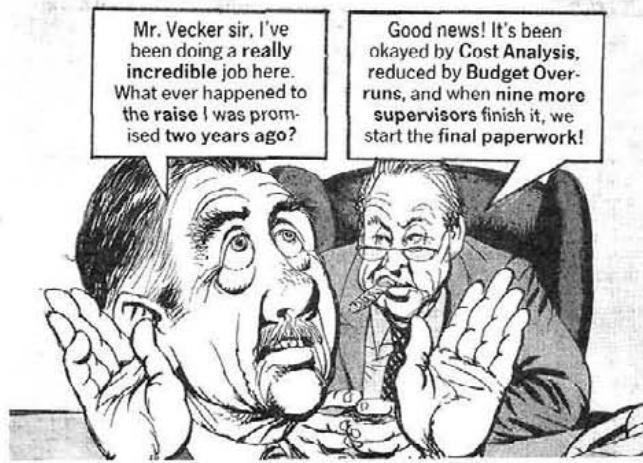
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##### One Of The Advantages Of Joining A Large Firm



##### One Of The Disadvantages Of Joining A Large Firm



# PATTERN YOURSELF AFTER SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE

The quickest way to achieve success in a large office is to model your behavior after those who are making it, and avoid the mistakes of those who aren't. Here are examples of what we mean...

## The Way They Keep Their Desk



This man's desk tells us that he is a conscientious and tireless worker. It tells us that he has no time for petty politics and no desire to engage in vicious acts like screwing the guy ahead of him on the job scale. It also tells us that this guy is a TOTAL FAILURE IN BUSINESS.



This man's desk contains only a minimum amount of work. The rest, he either passes on down to underlings, or he destroys. This gives him a free hand to work on important projects. It also gives him his other free hand to knife people in the back who are in his way up the job scale. This guy is obviously a MODERATE SUCCESS IN BUSINESS.



This man's desk is absolutely totally clean. Everything ... including his work load, his expense account records, and the man he replaced ... are in the waste basket under his desk. This guy is obviously CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.

## The Way They Handle Themselves On The Phone

This man will accept all calls, will talk to anybody on the phone, and if he's not at his desk, will return calls immediately upon his return, which gives him no time to make plans to screw the man ahead of him. Obviously, this man is another example of a TOTAL FAILURE IN BUSINESS.



This man only speaks to people who can help him, and ignores the calls of others. Which gives him time to suck around superiors, or make plans to knife them. This guy is another example of a MODERATE SUCCESS IN BUSINESS.



Even until his dying day, this guy never accepts calls from anyone! Yep ... he's the CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD.



## THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF BUSINESS MEETINGS

Business meetings are the very lifeblood of any large firm. Following are the "Three W's" of business meetings: "When," "Who," and "Why."

WHEN Should You Call A Business Meeting...?

Answer: At Least Twenty-five Times A Day...?



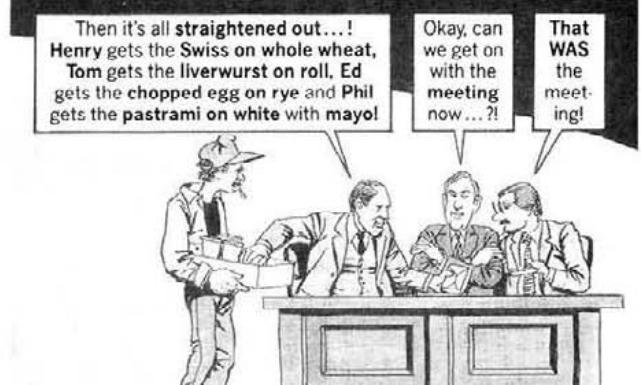
WHO Should Attend These Business Meetings?

Answer: Anybody In The Office! And Remember, There Are Never Too Many Or Too Few People!



WHY Should You Call A Business Meeting...?

Answer: If You Think You Need A Good Reason, You'd Better Get Out Of The Business World!!



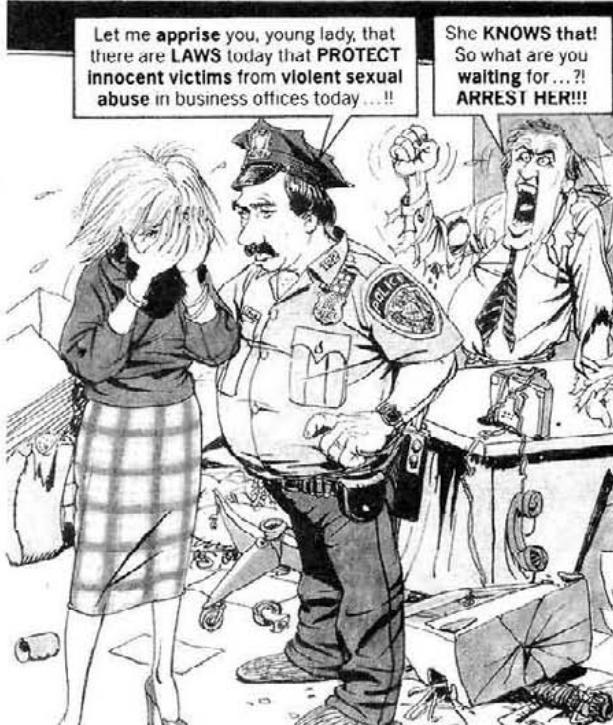
## SEX IN BUSINESS

In the business world, you'll come across women of all ages, sizes and shapes! Take warning...!

Back in the old days, the following scene of sexual harassment was very common around most business offices...



Today, of course, with the advancement of "Women's Rights," the times... and the scene... have changed dramatically...



# HOW TO DRESS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

In business, it's important to conform to certain dress codes which coincide with your career.

As A Shipping Clerk...



...you will wear battered running shoes, torn jeans, a dirty tank shirt, a beard, a Willie Nelson hair style and an earring. You will be known as a STRANGE WEIRDO SLOB!

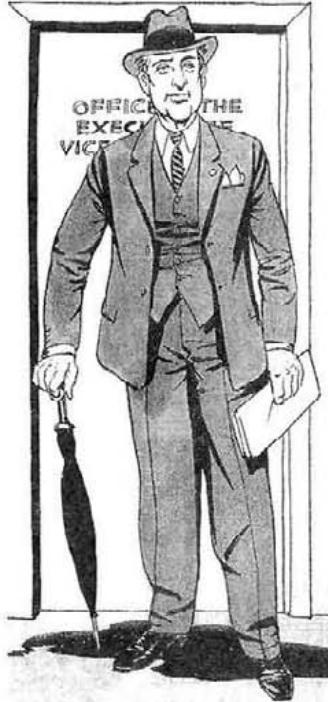
As An Executive Trainee...



...you will wear a conservative suit, a dark blue shirt, a paisley tie, Italian shoes and short hair. You will be known as a FASHION PLATE

...WITH UPWARD MOBILITY!

As A Vice President...



...you will be a symphony in black...a black vested suit, black tie and black shoes framing a white shirt. You will be known as an EXECUTIVE WHO'S MADE IT!

As Chairman Of The Board...



...you will wear battered running shoes, torn jeans, a dirty tank shirt, a beard, a Willie Nelson hair style and an earring. You will be known as an ECCENTRIC GENIUS!

## THOSE LEGENDARY OFFICE CHRISTMAS PARTIES

One of the marks of a successful executive is how well and how often he makes out at the Office Xmas Party. Watch some experts in action and, if you value your career, follow their examples.

Mr. Conroy...! We never say one civilized word to each other for twelve months! And then...once a year...you want me to go to bed with you! Just who do you think I am!?

For a minute, there, I thought you were my Wife!

The Big Boss is really something!! How can a man his age be so GOOD at that?

Experience...!! Don't forget, he's been doing the same thing to the STOCKHOLDERS for over 30 years now!

Well...hello!!!

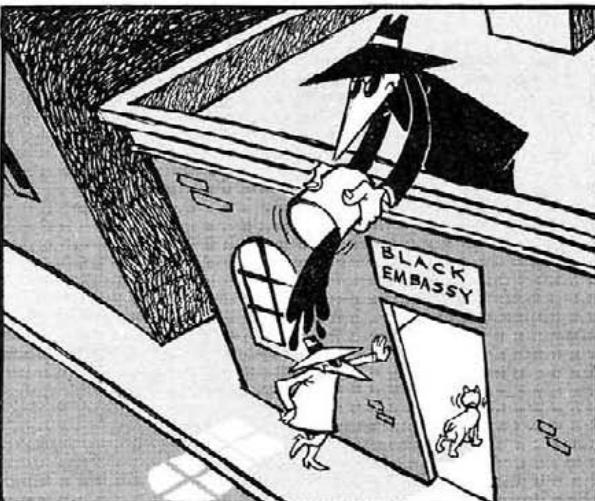
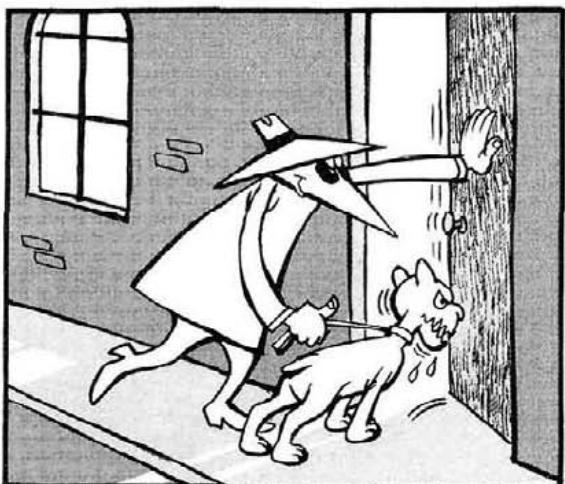
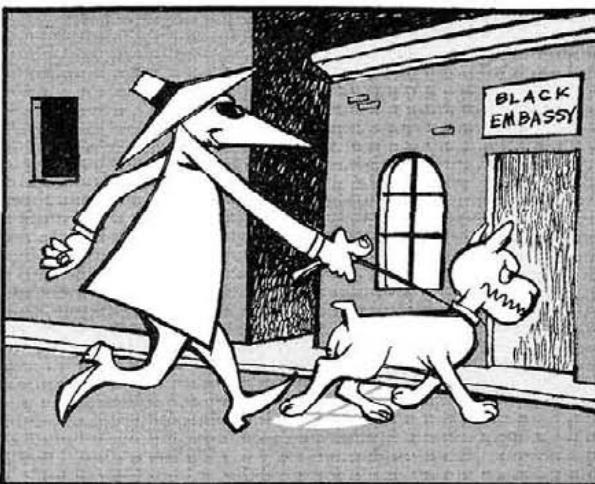
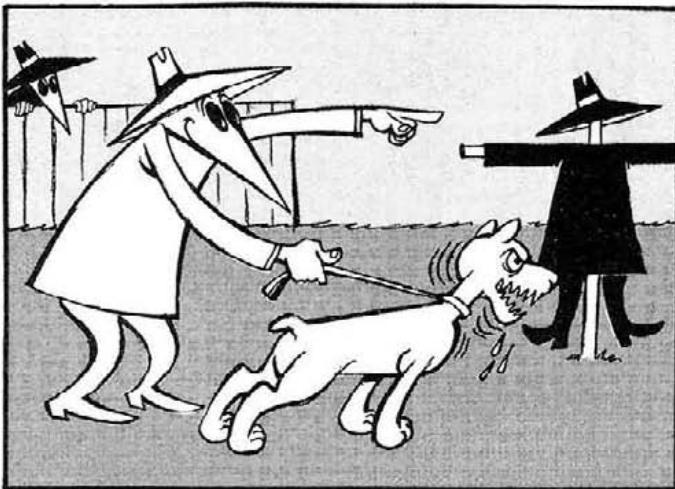
I'm looking for a HUSBAND!!

Well, goodbye...!!

Wait...! You don't understand! He just disappeared with a tall sexy blonde!!

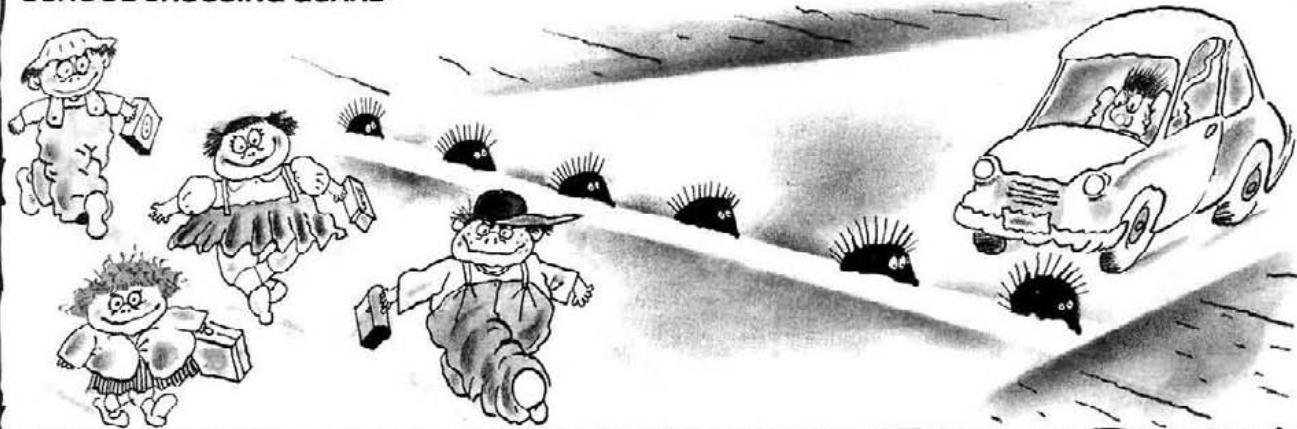
Well, hello again!!





# PRACTICAL USES FOR WE

## SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD



## MULTI-HEADED TRASH PICK-UP



## PUNK HAIRPIECE FOR THE BALDING



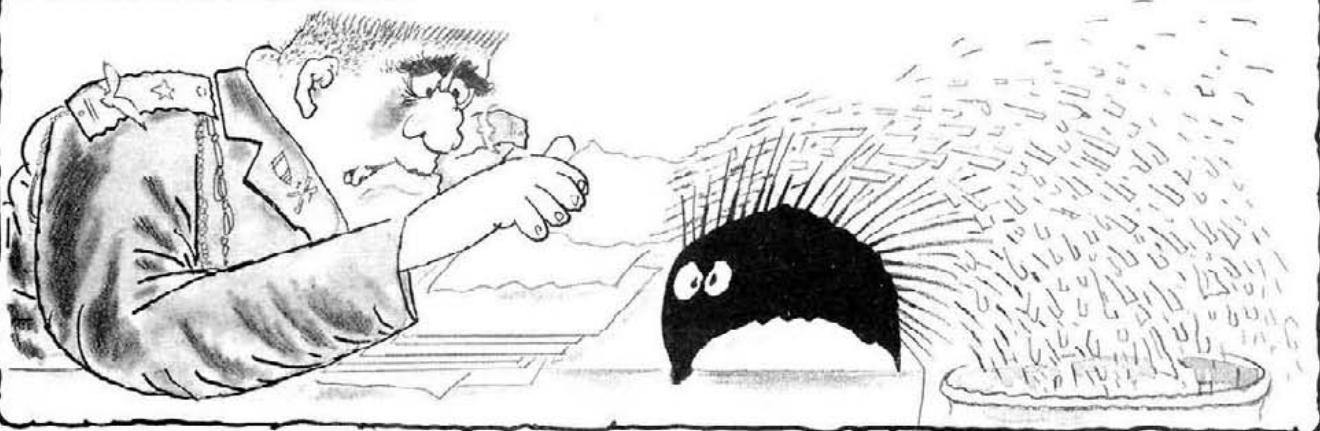
## BUFFET TABLE AIDS



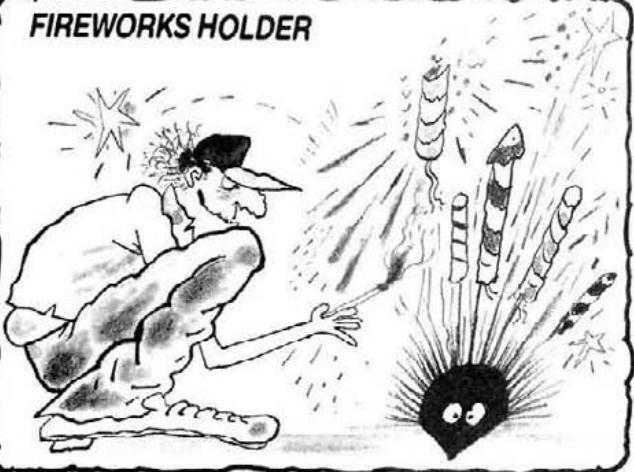
# LL-TRAINED PORCUPINES

ARTIST & WRITER: PAUL PETER PORGES

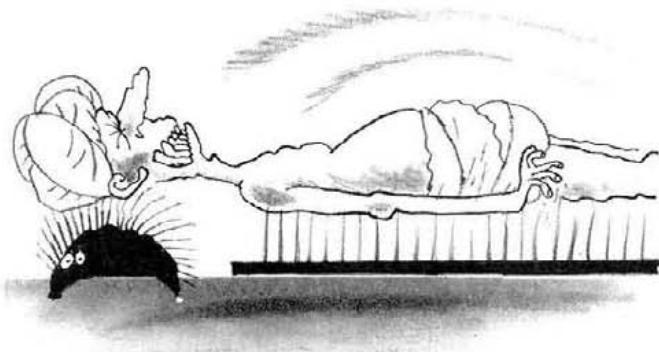
## PORTABLE PAPER SHREDDER



## FIREWORKS HOLDER



## FAKIR'S PILLOW



## SEAT RESERVER



JOY-SCHTICK DEPT.

Were you one of the unlucky ones who got a Nintendo or a Sega or some other video game system over the holidays? You say you can never play with it because you just can't figure out the cockeyed and confusing game cartridge instructions? We're not surprised! You'd probably have more fun and get higher scores if you created your own rules by filling in the blanks below with the words and phrases on the corresponding lists. At least that's what one MAD writer told us when he canned us into buying MAD's...

# ALL-PURPOSE VIDEO GAME INSTRUCTIONS KIT



## HOW TO PLAY

Save \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_  
being \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ . Using \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ . destroy their \_\_\_\_\_  
while avoiding the \_\_\_\_\_  
of their \_\_\_\_\_

## SCORING

\_\_\_\_\_ (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (12) \_\_\_\_\_

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1

the Universe  
Earth  
Emerald City  
the Indianapolis Colts  
lovely Valerie  
your underarms  
this unhappy marriage  
your neighborhood psycho  
Tulsa  
the Good Hands People  
Tracey Ullman  
this punk kid

5

from Arcturus  
beyond our galaxy  
in drag  
up to no good  
looking for action  
reciting "Hiawatha"  
pushing your buttons  
wearing velvet  
just off Exit 17  
running in place  
with overbite  
scratching themselves

3

deadly fire  
paralyzing breath  
liberal programs  
fang marks  
pass rush  
unpleasant aftertaste  
horrible punchlines  
social diseases  
endless sales pitches  
smug attitude  
Slam dunks  
vacation slides

DEEDLE DEEDLE DEEDLE DEEDLE DEEDLE

2

wiped out  
overrun  
taxed to death  
bench-pressed  
baked at 350°  
humiliated  
slobbered over  
sweet-talked  
tail-piped  
reincarnated  
spindled and mutilated  
Sanforized

3

invading  
alien  
whining  
bleeding-heart  
rush-hour  
lead-free  
guilt-ridden  
sleazy  
unabridged  
nerdlike  
low-calorie  
Methodist

4

spacemen  
mutants  
Hukons  
Zarks  
flashers  
summer replacements  
wimps  
saxophonists  
break-dancers  
zinc worshipers  
Cornhuskers  
Peruvian Jaycees

6

the Blast Button  
the joystick  
lies and deceit  
your toes  
the bump-and-run  
Herbalife  
Bob's lawn mower  
limp pizza  
the handy twist-top lid  
the gifts God gave you  
hired gnomes  
all Utica has to offer

7

armies  
missiles  
"nice guy" image  
moments of intimacy  
Roach Motels  
hopes of citizenship  
singles bars  
dream kitchens  
retirement villages  
Olympic pin collections  
memories of Duluth  
pockets of cellulite

8

atomic torpedoes  
rockets  
killer minnows  
spit  
a dash of tabasco  
a knee in the groin  
a belt-high fastball  
stoned droids  
attack poodles  
raw sewage  
Pia Zadora films  
fur-bearing mercenaries

10

phasers  
space cannon  
trained gnats  
Alf look-alikes  
in-laws  
trivia freaks  
few remaining virgins  
all-Capricorn army  
fiddlers three  
late-night talk shows  
vegetarian death squads  
anti-abortionists

11

Every 100 ships destroyed  
Every 1000 Fleegs vaporized  
A score of 600 zillion  
Landing on Baltic Avenue  
Tipping the maitre d'  
Bathing regularly  
Punching yourself in the face  
Rolling a hard six  
Saying you're a friend of Sid's  
Getting it on with a Martian  
Raising with a pair of kings  
Draining your sinuses

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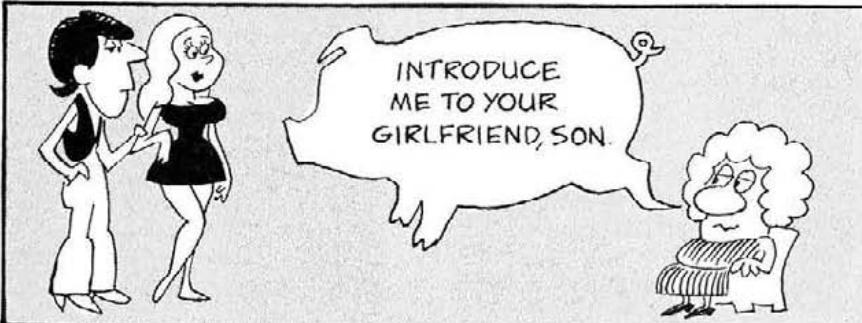
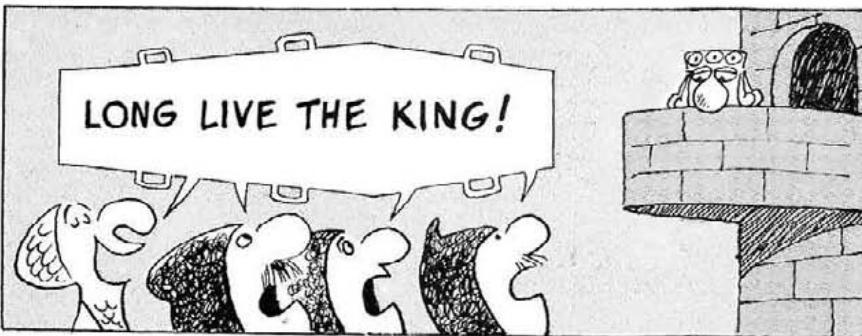
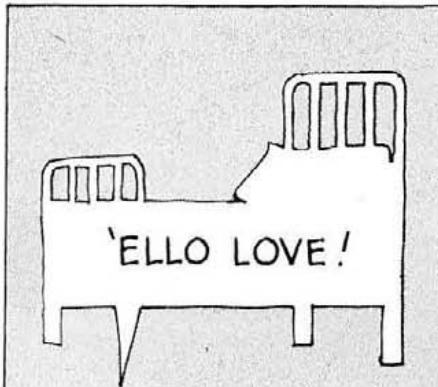
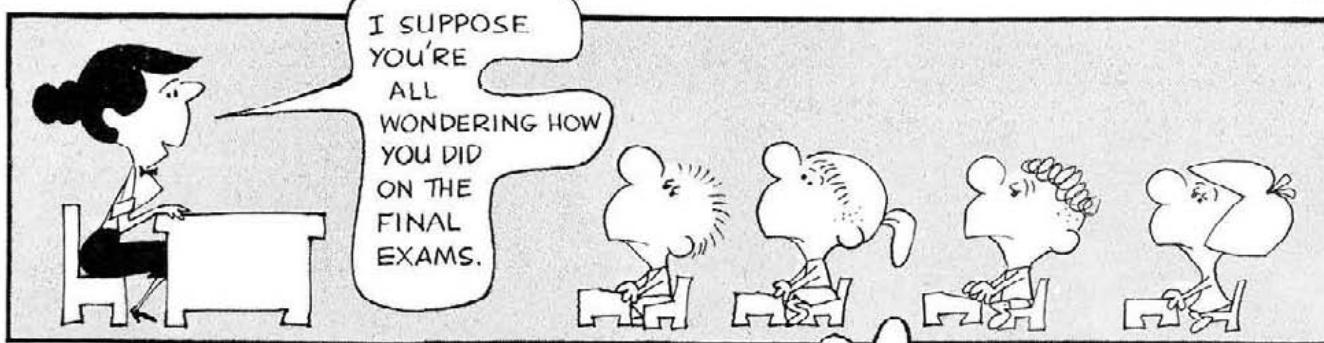
extends your playing time  
wins a free game patch  
looks good on your resumé  
brings on rigor mortis  
means oh so very much  
helps control psoriasis  
brings grief and suffering  
feeds an Albanian  
provides a cheap thrill  
sucks  
won't help James Caan's career  
means absolutely nothing

THE FUNNY FORM DEPT.

According to a recent study 76.4% of all MAD readers think 48.9% of all MAD intros are funnier than the articles they introduce. We figure this means one of two things: either 48.9% of our articles are absolute clinkers or 76.4% of our intros are masterful works of comic

# TELL-TALE COMIC STRIP

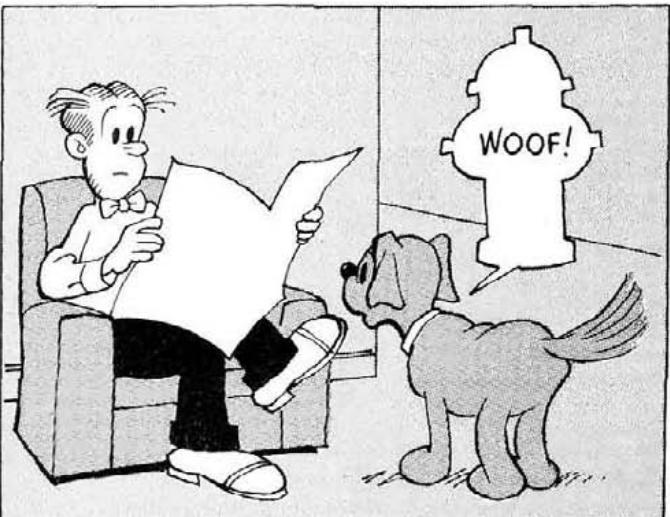
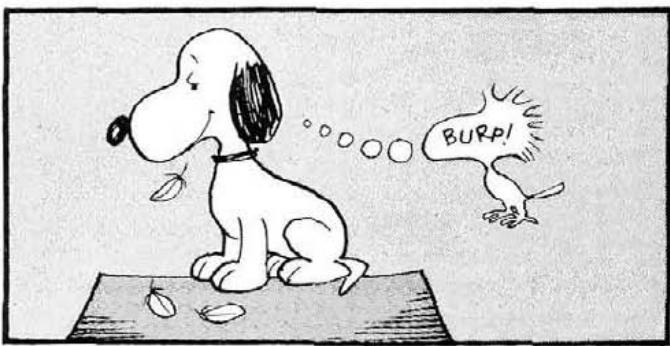
ARTIST: BOB CLARKE



genius. Whatever the case, we worked very hard at keeping this intro especially uninteresting and bland so the article which follows will seem clever and witty in comparison. But the only way you'll know whether we were successful in achieving this is by taking a look at...

# BALLOONS (The Sequel)

WRITER: DUCK EDWING



We all know how the government works—wait! That's a contradiction in terms! Maybe we should

# A MAD LOOK AT REAL-LIFE GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

ARTIST: HARRY NORTH

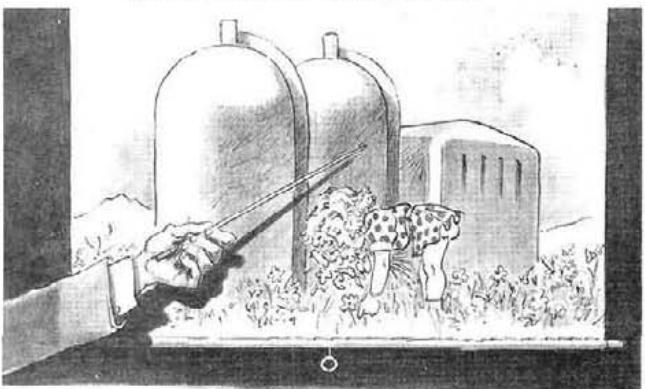
...passing a "tax simplification" act...



...that's 850 pages long!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...continuing to promote nuclear power plants as "totally safe"...



...even though no insurance company will insure them—at any price!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...requiring competitive bids on government contracts...



...then paying whatever outrageous "cost overruns" contractors can claim with a straight face!

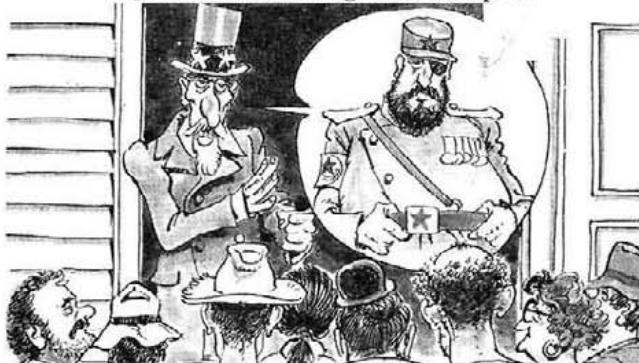
say "...how the government *thinks*"—naw, they don't do that either! See what we mean as we take

# OFF GOVERNMENT "LOGIC"

WRITER: MIKE SNIDER

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

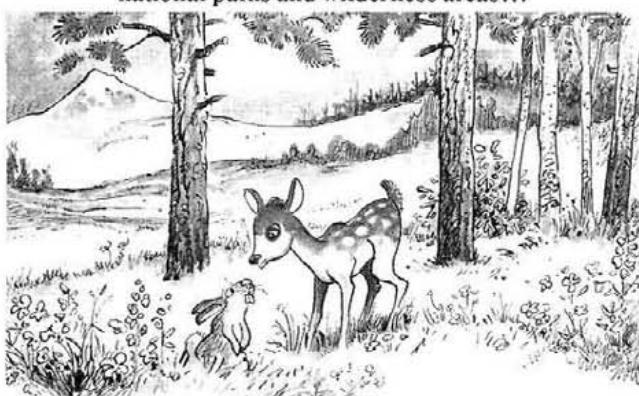
...saving other countries from the oppression of left-wing dictatorships...



...by supporting equally oppressive right-wing dictatorships!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

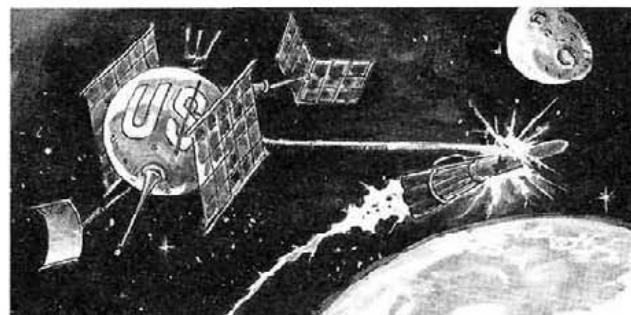
...entrusting the protection of our national parks and wilderness areas...



...to the same people who give out strip-mining and oil-drilling rights!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...turning down a plan that would eliminate all nuclear missiles...



...so that we can build a trillion-dollar "star wars" system to defend us from the "evil" Communists.

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...diligently keeping "undesirables" out of the U.S....



...but welcoming with open arms the likes of Ferdinand and Imelda Marcos!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...punishing states with too many speeders...



...by cutting off their Highway Construction funds—and making roads twice as dangerous!

## GOVERNMENT "LOGIC" is...

...maintaining public health and safety by regulating everything under the sun...



...against cheap, easily concealed handguns

CATTY-SHACK DEPT.

There's a new sitcom about four typical working ladies. One is a bubble-brain beauty pageant champ. Another is a soft touch and is so easily duped, it seems she also has a soft brain. A third falls in and out of love at the drop of a bathrobe and the fourth has a tongue that makes Howard Stern sound like a Boy Scout. That's how Hollywood sees four TYPICAL ladies! But we wish Hollywood would take a good look at some REAL typical female types and just stop...

# REDESIGNING Women

ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES

WRITER: DICK DEBARTOLO

Hi, I'm Foolya! I run Sugardaddies Interior Designs. We do very thorough work. We choose your furniture, your drapes, your rugs, but most important—we choose the person we think you should share it with!

I'm Charmin, the office manager here at Sugar Daddies! Believe it or not, I average one affair a week. In this group that makes me an old prude!

I'm Marry-Dough, a divorced mother! My ex-husband sued me for cruel and inhumane treatment... of my hair!

I'm SnoozeAnne! I hold a dozen pageant titles, all because of my natural beauty. As a matter of fact, those guys are delivering more of my "natural beauty" now!

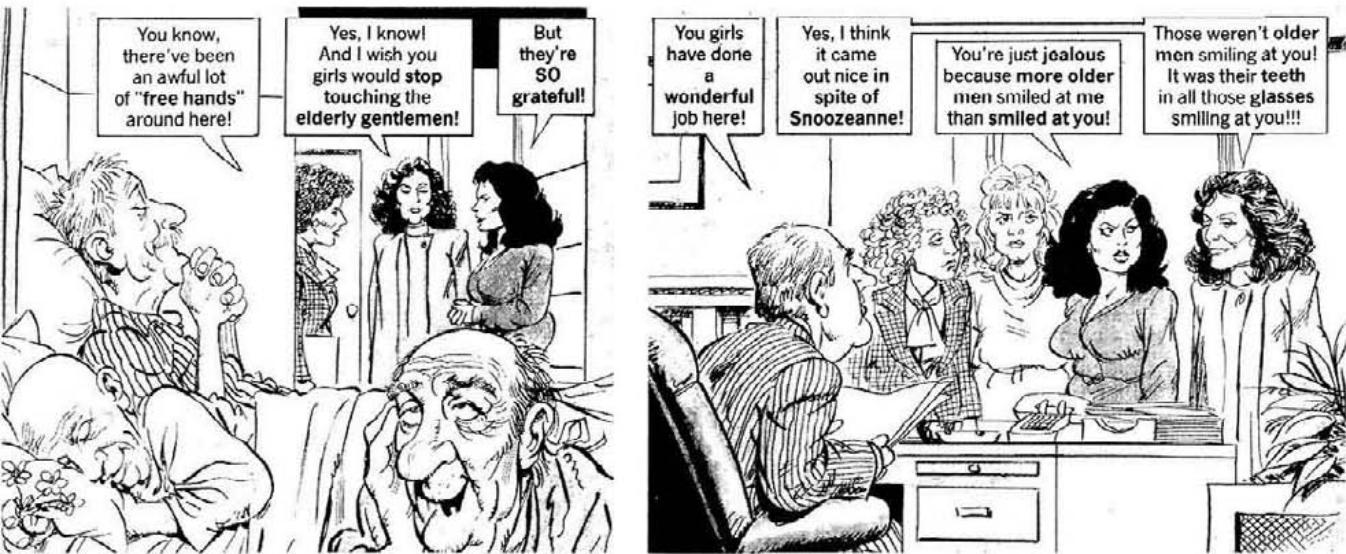
We'll go back out to the truck and bring in the rest of this month's delivery!

I'm Agony, the office flunkie! I also serve a more useful purpose. Those four women are so tough, they put ME in the show to give it a feminine touch!









Charrin, wake up!  
I am suggesting  
something kinky!  
What I'm suggesting  
is a little  
"roll in the hay"!

A roll in the hay! Well, let me tell  
you something, Mr. Cheat-the-Old-Folks  
Out-of-Their-Life-Savings! Each week  
we try to deflate one male ego, but in  
your case we're bypassing deflation and  
going straight to CASTRATION!!!

Right! If you raise the  
rents here one cent, the  
four of us will swear out  
a warrant for your arrest!  
We'll say you forced your-  
self upon us at knifepoint!

And they'll be-  
lieve us, because  
everyone around  
here knows we're  
not "those kind"  
of girls!!!

I just hope the  
cop they send  
over to take our  
statement has a  
tight uniform  
and nice buns!



Listen, I never would have  
suggested it if it weren't  
for the reputation you  
girls have in this town!  
I heard the Post Office  
sends you any mail addressed  
to "Loose-Moraled Occupant"!

Well, I've got news for  
you, mister! We do not  
let rich men push us  
around! Nor old men,  
young men, smart men,  
nor any other men!!!

I get the picture!  
You girls win!  
I can't wait to get  
back to dealing with  
people who have some  
mercy — like loan-  
sharks and mobsters!

Well, I just finished  
the accounting for last  
month. We made \$8,000 —  
\$75 of that is from our  
designing services, the  
other \$7,925 is from our  
combined alimony checks!

Hey, we're  
up! Last  
month it was  
only \$62  
from our  
designing  
services!



Girls, it's  
the new  
neighbors  
that just  
moved in  
next door!

Hi, I'm Appathy. Now that  
you moved in on our sitcom  
premise — four ladies who  
cut each other and others  
to ribbons — we're moving  
in to your neighborhood!

We should  
be worried!  
They'll get  
all the  
eligible  
bachelors!

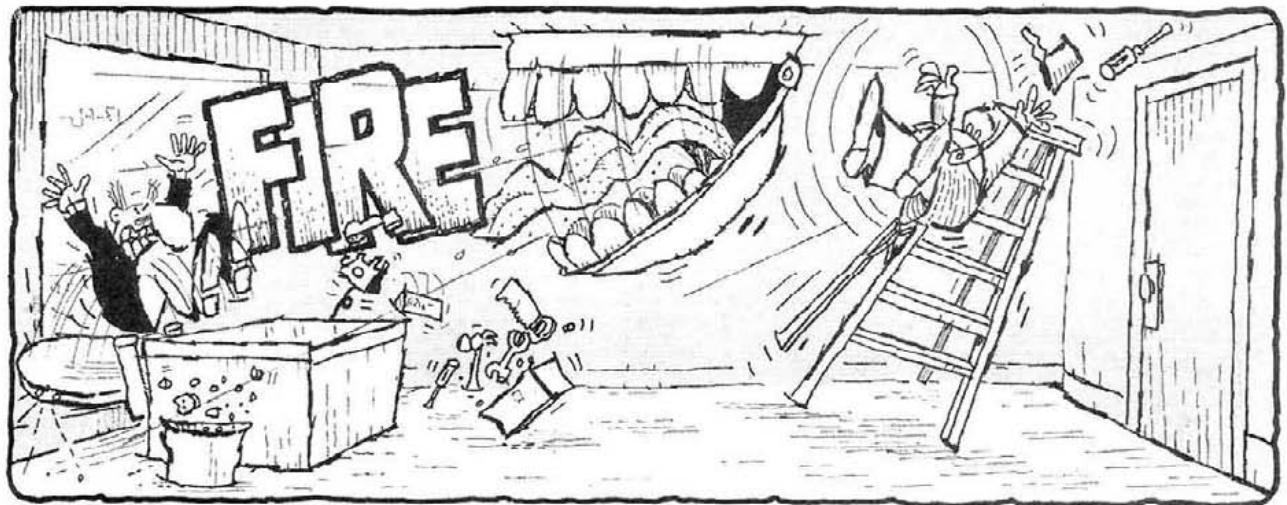
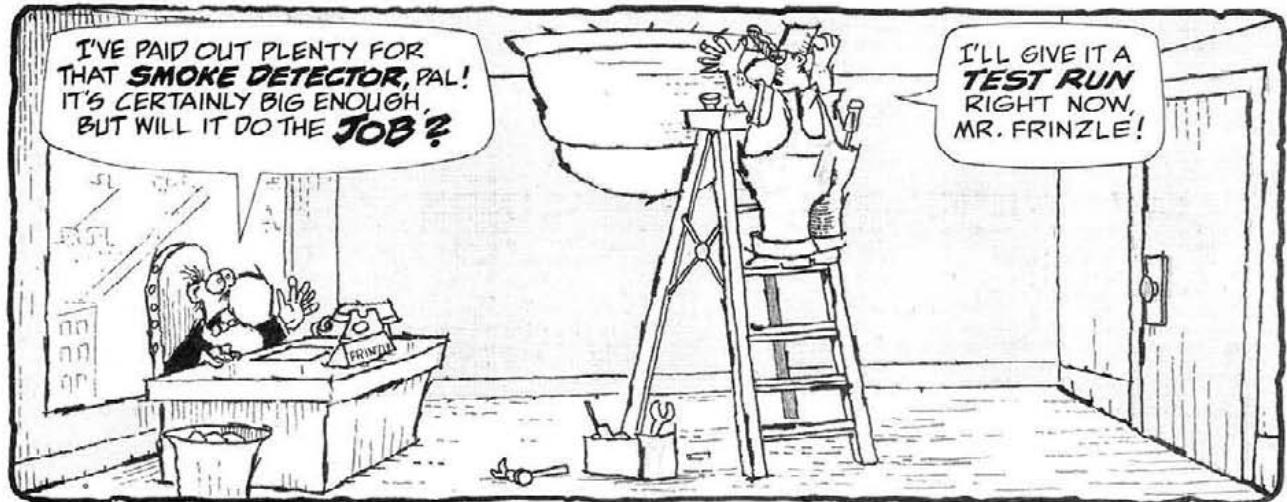
At  
their  
age?!!  
They're  
all over  
the hill!!

Except we have an  
advantage over you  
young'un's — we're  
personable, witty,  
glowing, full of life  
and above all FUN!

Right! We're  
four REAL  
typical  
females! Not  
REDESIGNED  
WOMEN!!!



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TEENAGE  
TURN ON  
IS A  
TURN OFF  
FOR PARENTS?

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Kids always manage to startle their parents. To find out what the latest jolt is, fold page in as shown on right.



FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

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→ B FOLD BACK SO "A" MEETS "B"



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SHOW RESPECT FOR OLD VALUES. THEY ATTACK  
RADICAL IDEAS THAT KIDS OFTEN TURN ON TO

A

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(Because we tried to give it away for \$20 and that didn't work!)**

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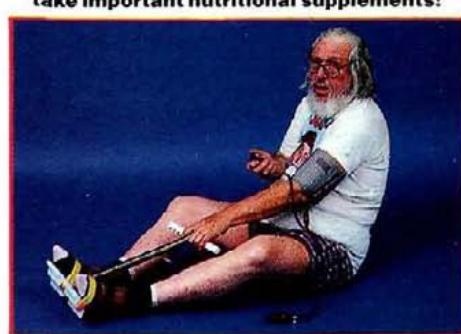
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